GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3763
ANSWERED ON:23.08.2004
NON AVAILABILITY OF FOODGRAIN
Sarma Dr. Arun Kumar

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a)whether the FCI is not maintaining the required stock of foodgrains at its Depot at Lakhimpur, Assam affecting the supply to rural development agencies of Lakhimpur and Dhamaji district despite the urgency of food;

(b)if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c)the item-wise stock position, delivered quantity against demand of foodgrains in the above areas during the last two years;

(d)the outstanding quantity pending against District Rural Development Agency (DRDA) and other agencies during the said period; and

(e)the action taken by FCI to maintain sufficient stock at lakhimpur?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a) & (b): While the current stock levels at the FCI depots in Lakhimpur and Dhemaji are low, the FCI is making available adequate stocks of foodgrains to the State Government in the revenue districts of Lakhimpur and Dhemaji. The stocks are transported by Metre Gauge rail and supplemented by road movement due to inadequate transshipment at New Bongaigaon.

(c):A Statement is at Annexure - I.

(d):A statement is at Annexure - II

(e):Frequent coordination has been maintained by the FCI with the Railways and the State Government in the supply of foodgrains. Foodgrains have also been supplied from FCI`s Nagaon District in addition to allowing the State Government`s nominees to lift stocks from Depot under FCI`s District office Nagaon, against the allocations under Sampooran Gramin Rozgar Yojana (SGRY) as well as Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS)

ANNEXURE - I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3763 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 23-08-2004

STATEMENT SHOWING THE DETAILS OF FOODGRAINS ISSUED AT LAKHIMPUR AND DHEMAJI DEPOTS DURING 2002-03 AND 2003-04

(In Metric Tonnes)

FCI DEPOT	QUANTITY ISSUED	
	2002-03	2003-04
LAKHIMPUR	67501	63017
DHEMAJI	14709	11435

ANNEXURE-II

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (d) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3763 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 23-08-2004

STATEMENT SHOWING THE SAMPOORNA GRAMIN ROJGAR YOJANA (SGRY) ALLOCATION AND BALANCE OUTSTANDING FOR NORTH LAKHIMPUR AND DHEMAJI DISTRICTS FOR THE YEARS 2002-2003 AND 2003-04 (AS ON 31-07-2004)

(In Metric Tonnes)

YEAR	REVENUE DISTRICT	TOTAL SGRY ALLOCATION	BALANCE PENDING2002-03
2002-03	North Lakhimpur	15532	3060
	Dhemaji	15828	0
2003-04	North Lakhimpur	16014	14433#
	Dhemaji	19418	11044#

The scheme for SGRY 2003-04 is valid till 31-03-2005